



City of Starke

"Forging Tomorrow's Small Town, Today"

Regular Meeting of City Commission Minutes

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Mayor Redding called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Commissioner Overstreet opened the meeting with a time of ²Voluntary Prayer and the ³Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Redding entertained a motion for the ⁵Approval of the Agenda. Commissioner Milner made a motion. Commissioner Nugent seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Redding asked for ⁴Roll Call. Commissioner Dimple Overstreet was present, Commissioner Janice D. Mortimer was present, Commissioner Danny Nugent was present, Commissioner Bob Milner was present, and Mayor Andy Redding was present. Additionally, City Clerk Chrissy Allen-Thompson was present, City Manager Drew Mullins was present, and City Attorney Scott Walker was present. Also in attendance were Executive Assistant Cathy Bradley, Executive Assistant Lisa Heeder, Assistant City Manager-Finance James Hughes, Grants Coordinator Becky May, and Assistant City Manager-Utilities David Sparks.

Mayor Redding entertained a motion to approve the ⁶Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda consisted of: ^{6.a}Minutes of the February 3, 2026 Commission Meeting, ^{6.b}Resolution 2026-16 Updating the City of Starke Travel Policy for City Officials and Employees, ^{6.c}Resolution 2026-17 Approving Modification Number 1 to the Subgrant Agreement Between the Florida Department of Commerce and the City of Starke, Florida for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant, ^{6.d}Resolution 2026-18 Approving Amendment 4 to the State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement DW040210 Between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the City of Starke, Florida, ^{6.e}Resolution 2026-19 Approving that Certain Amendment Number 10 to the Agreement with Woodard and Curran, Inc. for Engineering Services, ^{6.f}Resolution 2026-20 Approving that Certain Amendment Number 11 to the Agreement with Woodard and Curran, Inc. for Engineering Services, ^{6.g}Resolution 2026-21 Declaring Certain Real Property as Surplus Property, Resolution ^{6.h}2026-22 Relating to the State Revolving Fund Loan Program and ^{6.i}Commissioner Bill Review. Commissioner Milner reported he reviewed the bills, and they looked in order. He continued that even though the Consent Agenda was long, he liked City Manager Mullins explanations. He made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as published. Commissioner Nugent seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Redding asked for ⁷Emergency Items. There were none.

Mayor Redding asked for ⁸Citizens Request. *Mayor Redding asked for Alvin Hunter. Mr. Hunter stated his address as 455 West Pratt Street in Starke. He said he was going to talk about the ICE Detention Facility. It does not affect the Commission nor the City. He said he agreed with both sides, and understood that it was not good optics. He adds that it's going to be a win-win for the City and the County. The facility is going to be upgraded. If they ask the City to extend the sewage

and water out there, it's going to be free because they're going to pay the cost. Once they leave, we have facilities that are already upgraded. It will be easier to get a company to come in. If the City runs sewage and water there, that's free revenue coming into the City. Protests will happen, but what's happening in Minneapolis, Arizona, and Los Angeles is not going to happen here because Governor Ron DeSantis and Sheriff Gordon Smith believe in following the law. They have Halo Laws to protect Law Enforcement Officers. They are not going to direct our law enforcement to not assist the ICE Agents. He added that on February 28, 2026, the American Legion Post 56 will host a blood drive. Their goal is 15 pints. He asked if individuals were able to, please stop by. The canteen will be open. They can look around the facility. There will be representatives there from the American Legion. The blood drive is February 28, 2026 between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. He thanked the Commission.

Mayor Redding asked for ⁹New Business: There was no New Business.

Mayor Redding asked for ¹⁰Old Business: ^{10.a}Charter Review and ^{10.b}Impact Fees. City Manager Mullins said he has nothing new on either one. City Clerk Allen-Thompson agreed.

Mayor Redding asked for ¹¹Public Hearings. There were none.

Mayor Redding asked for ¹²Quasi Judicial Hearings. There were none.

Mayor Redding asked for ^{13.a}City Manager Report. City Manager Mullins said that at the next meeting he will have a presentation from a company that shows the mapping system of the electric. City Manager Mullins will be attending the APPA Legislative Rally in Washington DC. They will meet with the City's representatives, Representative Kat Camack and Senator Ashley Moody. They will leave Sunday and come back Thursday. Commissioner Milner asked if it is this coming Sunday. City Manager Mullins confirmed. Commissioner Mortimer said it is February 22nd to 26th, and she will be attending as well.

Mayor Redding asked for the ^{13.b}City Clerk Report. City Clerk Allen-Thompson said she would like to give a shout out to the Utility Department. They helped with Bradford Elementary STEM night and did an amazing job. There were over 250 people in attendance. The Water Department had visuals and things for the kids. They had the new pump truck there. It was a great event. She expressed appreciation for Assistant City Manager-Utilities Sparks and City Manager Mullins for helping coordinate the event. Thursday night was to be the Northeast Florida League of Cities Dinner. It will be a great night. Commissioner Nugent asked about door prizes. City Clerk Allen-Thompson said they are bringing them in.

Mayor Redding said there is no ^{13.c}Public Safety Report tonight.

Mayor Redding asked for the ^{13.d}Attorney Report. Attorney Walker said Attorney Leonard Ireland was here a couple of meetings ago and said the City of Starke runs a very efficient meeting.

Mayor Redding asked for the ¹⁴Mayor and Commissioner Reports. ^{14.a}Commissioner Overstreet had nothing. ^{14.b}Commissioner Milner had nothing. ^{14.c}Commissioner Nugent said the City is hosting the Northeast Florida League of Cities Dinner. They will be doing the introduction and giving away door prizes. The door prizes need to be for guests only, not Starke's City Officials. ¹

^{4.d}Commissioner Mortimer reported that she, Trustee Wendy Sullivan, and Trustee Jackie Moore all successfully completed the Pension Trustee Certification. She will be attending the APPA Legislative Conference with City Manager Mullins in Washington DC and meeting with Representatives. ^{14.e}Mayor Redding said when they are on the dias as Commissioners, other elected officials, and staff, they need to make sure that they minimize conversations, especially if it's anything that could be public record or something to be voted on other than the normal courtesies. Be cognizant of that when they are in the room or having conversations with other members of the public. If they want to have those conversations, obviously they can do that in the lobby.

Mayor Redding entertained a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Milner made a motion to adjourn . The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.